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Thanks for the opportunity to make comments on the VCWGA – Livestock Management Pasture and Rangeland Grazing document.

- Page 8d, Early season grazing: Early season grazing might be as early as February and March in some areas.
- Page 10d, Riparian Management Zones: SPTH is used with definition.
- Page 10d, Permanent Streamside Exclusion Fence: Re working this section to discuss the fence first then the reasons why might create a better tone.
- Page 11d, Livestock Water Sources & Drink Water Quality: Don't mention water rights and permits (HPA required for setting pump in water and electrical permit for solar or electric system).
- Page 13d, Setbacks of 820 ft or greater: Where did you come up with this number? This seems huge and in many situations not practical or possible.
- Page 17d, Location of sacrifice area: For some properties, sacrifice areas cannot be located outside the RMZ. Having a "must" here makes it impossible for some operations to install HUA, & Sacrifice area. What if your already built barn in located close to the stream? Suggest language to say "should be when possible" or similar.
- Page 21d: Grazing Management Strategies: There is no section for Continuous Grazing in the part although it is defined on page 8d.
- Page 21d: Early Season grazing: There is grazing before April in many situations.